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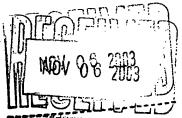
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In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449.

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REMARKS

The above-listed document were cited in an official communication from the European Patent Office in connection with a corresponding European patent application. A copy of a Search Report indicating how this reference was deemed material

to the European patent application also is enclosed as an English language statement of relevance for the Examiner's consideration.

The JP 2000-9925 reference previously was cited in an Information

Disclosure Statement of July 1, 2003; accordingly, a copy of the reference is not submitted herein.

FEE STATEMENT

Since this paper is being submitted within three (3) months of the mailing date of the communication from the European Patent Office and prior to the mailing of a first Official Action on the merits in the subject application, Applicant believes that no fee is necessitated by this paper. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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